REMARKS

Claims 1-14 were pending as of the issuance of the instant Office Action. Claims 13 and 14 were withdrawn from further consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention. Claims 1-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections set forth in the instant Office Action. However, the Examiner indicated in the instant Office Action that the following subject matter is allowable:

- (1) a pharmaceutical composition comprising an analgesic effective amount of a synergistic combination of 4-s-[4-(propylsulfanyl)-1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-yl]-1-azatricyclo[3.3.1.1<3,7>]decane hydrochloride and a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug; and
- (2) a pharmaceutical composition comprising an analgesic effective amount of a synergistic combination of 4-s-[4-(propylsulfanyl)-1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-yl]-1-azatricyclo[3.3.1.1<3,7>]decane hydrochloride and morphine.

Thus, Applicants have amended claims 5 and 9-10 and have canceled claims 1-4, 7-8, and 12 to place the Application in condition for allowance. Claims 1-4, 7-8, and 12 have been canceled and claims 5 and 9-10 have been amended to expedite prosecution and without prejudice as to further prosecution of the subject matter in future related applications. Applicants respectfully contend that all conditions of patentability are met in the pending claims as amended. Allowance of the claims is thereby respectfully solicited.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this Response or Application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney as indicated below.

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